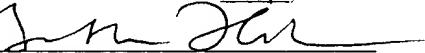


CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.8	
I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on November <u>19</u> , 2003.	
	
Gunther O. Hanke, Reg. No. 32,989	

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No.	:	09/631,907
Applicant	:	Brett W. Cryer
Filed	:	August 4, 2000
Title	:	INTRAVASCULAR CATHETER WITH EXPANDED DISTAL TIP
Art Unit	:	3763
Examiner	:	Manuel A. Mendez
Docket No.:	:	ACSC 60493 (1292D)

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

RECEIVED

DEC 04 2003

TECHNOLOGY CENTER 2970

Mail Stop RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests a further two month extension for filing a reply in the above-identified application. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal and Amendment After Final Rejection are submitted herewith. Since a request for a one month extension was previously filed and the first month extension fee of \$110 was paid on September 12, 2003, the balance of the requisite fee \$840.00 (\$950 minus \$110), pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.136(a) is enclosed herewith for a total of three months extension.

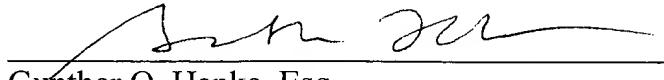
12/02/2003 SZENDIE1 00000012 09631907

02 FC:1253

840.00 0P

Please charge any additional fee or credit any over-payment to our Deposit Account No. 06-2425. **A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.**

Respectfully submitted,
FULWIDER PATTON LEE & UTECHT, LLP

By: 
Gunther O. Hanke, Esq.
Registration No.: 32,989

GOH:psm

Howard Hughes Center
6060 Center Drive, Tenth Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90045
Telephone: (310) 824-5555
Facsimile: (310) 824-9696
Customer No. 24201
32703.1